

I CAN ASSURE YOU I MEAN YOU NO HARM... **WHO** ARE YOU? **WHO?** **WHO**  
IS BUT THE **FORM** FOLLOWING THE **FUNCTION** OF **WHAT**  
AND **WHAT** I AM IS A **MAN** IN A **MASK.**

...WELL I CAN SEE THAT...

OF **COURSE** YOU **CAN.** I'M NOT **QUESTIONING** YOUR **POWERS**  
OF OBSERVATION; I'M **MERELY** REMARKING **UPON** THE **PARADOX** OF  
ASKING A **MASKED MAN** **WHO** HE IS.

OH. **RIGHT.**

BUT ON THIS **MOST** **AUSPICIOUS** OF NIGHTS, **PERMIT** ME  
THEN, IN LIEU OF THE MORE **COMMONPLACE** **SOBRIQUET**, TO  
**SUGGEST** THE CHARACTER OF THIS DRAMATIS **PERSONA...**

**VOILÀ!** IN **VIEW**, A HUMBLE **VAUDEVILLIAN**  
**VETERAN**, CAST **VICARIOUSLY** AS BOTH  
**VICTIM** AND **VILLAIN** BY THE **VICISSITUDES** OF FATE. THIS  
**VISAGE**, NO MERE **VENEER** OF **VANITY**, IS A **VESTIGE** OF THE **VOX**  
**POPULI**, NOW **VACANT**, **VANISHED**. HOWEVER, THIS  
**VALOROUS** **VISITATION** OF A BY-GONE **VEXATION**, STANDS **VIVIFIED**  
AND HAS **VOWED** TO **VANQUISH** THESE **VENAL** AND **VIRULENT** **VERMIN**  
**VANGUARDING** **VICE** AND **VOUCHSAFING** THE **VIOLENTLY** **VICIOUS**  
AND **VORACIOUS** **VIOLATION** OF **VOLITION!**  
THE ONLY **VERDICT** IS **VENGEANCE**; A  
**VENDETTA**, HELD AS A **VOTIVE**, NOT IN **VAIN**, FOR  
THE **VALUE** AND **VERACITY** OF SUCH  
SHALL ONE DAY **VINDICATE** THE  
**VIGILANT** AND THE **VIRTUOUS**. **VERILY**, THIS **VICHYSSEOISE** OF **VERBIAGE** **VEERS** MOST  
**VERBOSE**, SO LET ME SIMPLY ADD THAT IT'S MY **VERY** GOOD HONOR TO MEET YOU  
AND YOU MAY CALL ME

ARE YOU, LIKE, A CRAZY PERSON?

**I AM QUITE SURE THEY WILL SAY SO.**